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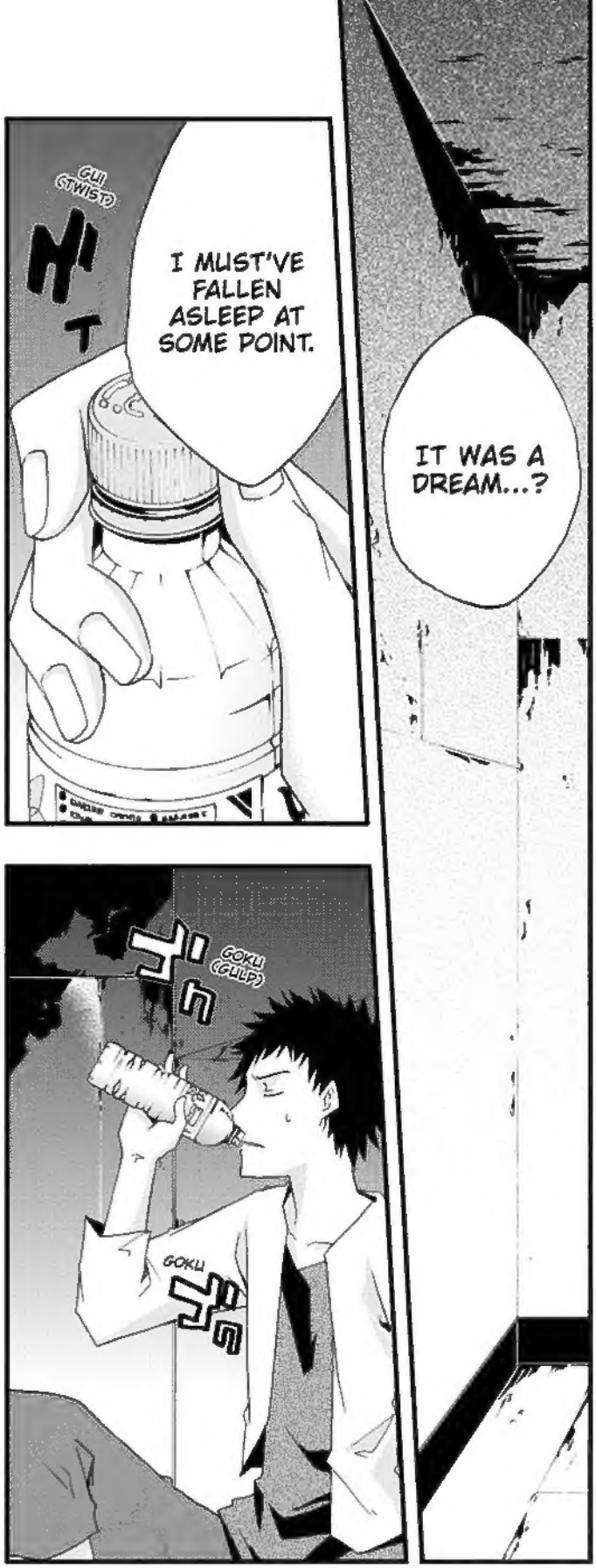
AAAHH...
ZURURU (SINK)
AGH...
PICHA (SPLAT)
PICHA
DOSA (THUMP)
WH... WHY...?
PIKU (TWITCH)
PIKU
HOW DID IT TURN OUT THIS WAY...?

GARI (SCRAPE)
...DIE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...
GU
GU (PUSH)
I.....
...I CAN'T...
HIKARI .....

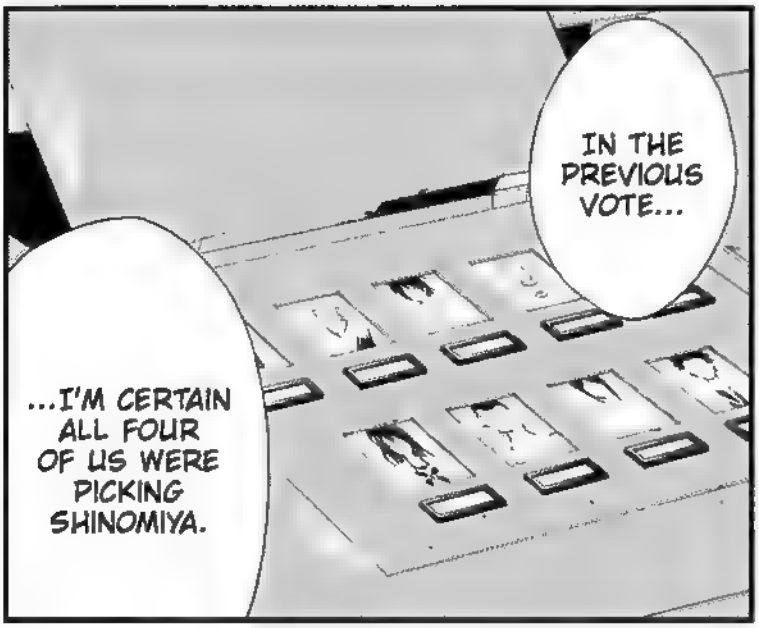
CHAPTER 21 THREE SUSPECTS


GUI (TWIST)
I MUST'VE FALLEN ASLEEP AT SOME POINT.
IT WAS A DREAM...?
HA (GASP)
GOKU (GULP)
GOKU
HUFF!
HUFF!

.....HA.
KAKO (WHOCK)
IT WASN'T JUST A DREAM...
NO.
.....
AT THIS RATE, IF SHINOMIYA AND I SURVIVE UNTIL THE NEXT JUDGMENT...
...IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME ...

KA
(CLACK)
GII
(CREAK)
.....
HOW DID THINGS TURN OUT THIS WAY?

.....BUT ...


IN THE PREVIOUS VOTE...
...I'M CERTAIN ALL FOUR OF US WERE PICKING SHINOMIYA.

ONE OF THE THREE OF THEM...
...PUT IN A VOTE FOR ME.

HE ENDED UP ONLY GETTING THREE VOTES.

..... WHICH MEANS ...

GACHA (CHAK)

OH?

GU (CREAK)

!

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RINA?

.....!

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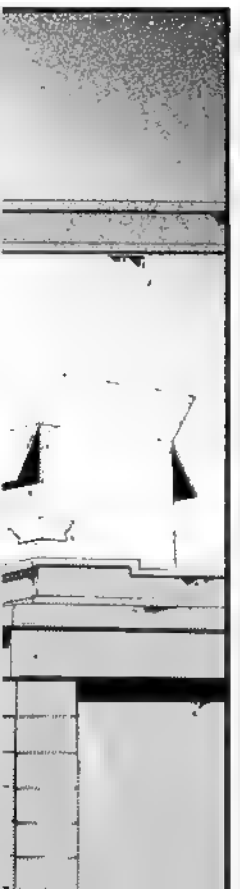
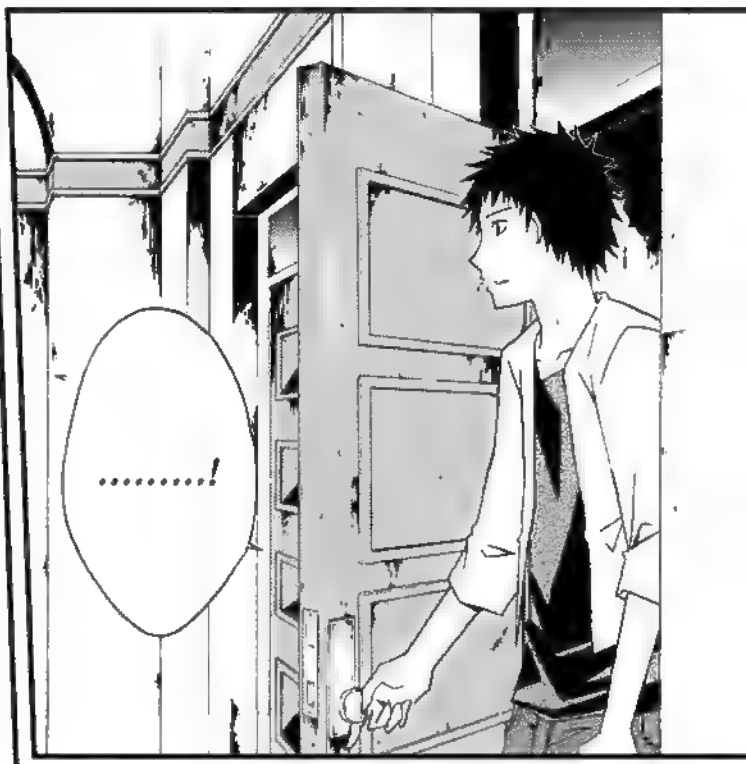
GACHA
(CHAK)




.....!

OH?
GI
(CREAK)
!

RINA?

ASAMI-SAN...
GUESS WE'RE IN SYNC, MEETING HERE AT THE SAME TIME.
OH..... I DIDN'T SEE YOU THERE.
HUFF!
PICHA (SPLAT)
.....
HUFF!

BIKU (FLINCH)
HEY, I'M TALKING TO YOU.
.....
KA (CLACK)
KARA (CLATTER)
SCISSORS .....?
.....

PETA
(PLOP)

H.....

HE'S DEAD!?

AAAA AAAA AAH!

PICHA
(SPLAT)

PICHA

!?

AAAA
AAAA
AAH!
PICHA
(SPLAT)
PICHA
!?

PETA
(PLOP)
H.....
HE'S DEAD!?

.....
BUT HOW...?
B.....

THESE SCISSORS ...
THEY WERE USED TO KILL HIM, WEREN'T THEY?

SO...
...WHY WERE YOU HOLDING THEM?

B- BECAUSE ...
BA (BURST)
...I WAS KNOCKED OUT WITH A TASER OR SOMETHING...

...AND WHEN I CAME TO, THEY WERE IN MY HAND.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING ON HERE EITHER...
IS THAT SO...
COME TO THINK OF IT...
...YOU WERE...
...ALMOST ATTACKED BY SHINOMIYA EARLIER, RIGHT?

.....
DIDN'T YOU THINK...
...IT'D BE BETTER FOR A GUY LIKE HIM TO DIE?
.....?
.....
WHAT'RE YOU TRYING TO SAY?
SU (SHF)

YOU MADE IT ALL UP, DIDN'T YOU?
ASAMI-SAN?
KA (CLACK)
YOU CAME UP WITH THE STORY ABOUT BEING HIT WITH A STUN GUN.

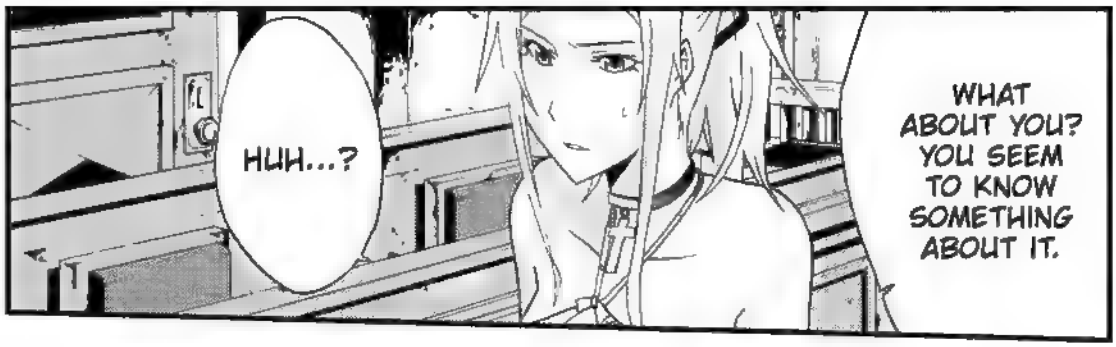
IT'S ALL AN ACT.
TAJI (RECOIL)
YOU WEREN'T HAPPY ABOUT HIRO SAVING THIS GUY, WERE YOU?
WHA...
HOW CAN YOU EVEN SUGGEST THAT!?
JIRI (SCUFF)
HEY.....

WHEN YOU SAW SHINOMIYA PASSED OUT...
...YOU THOUGHT IT WAS YOUR BEST CHANCE TO KILL HIM, RIGHT?
SU (SLIDE)

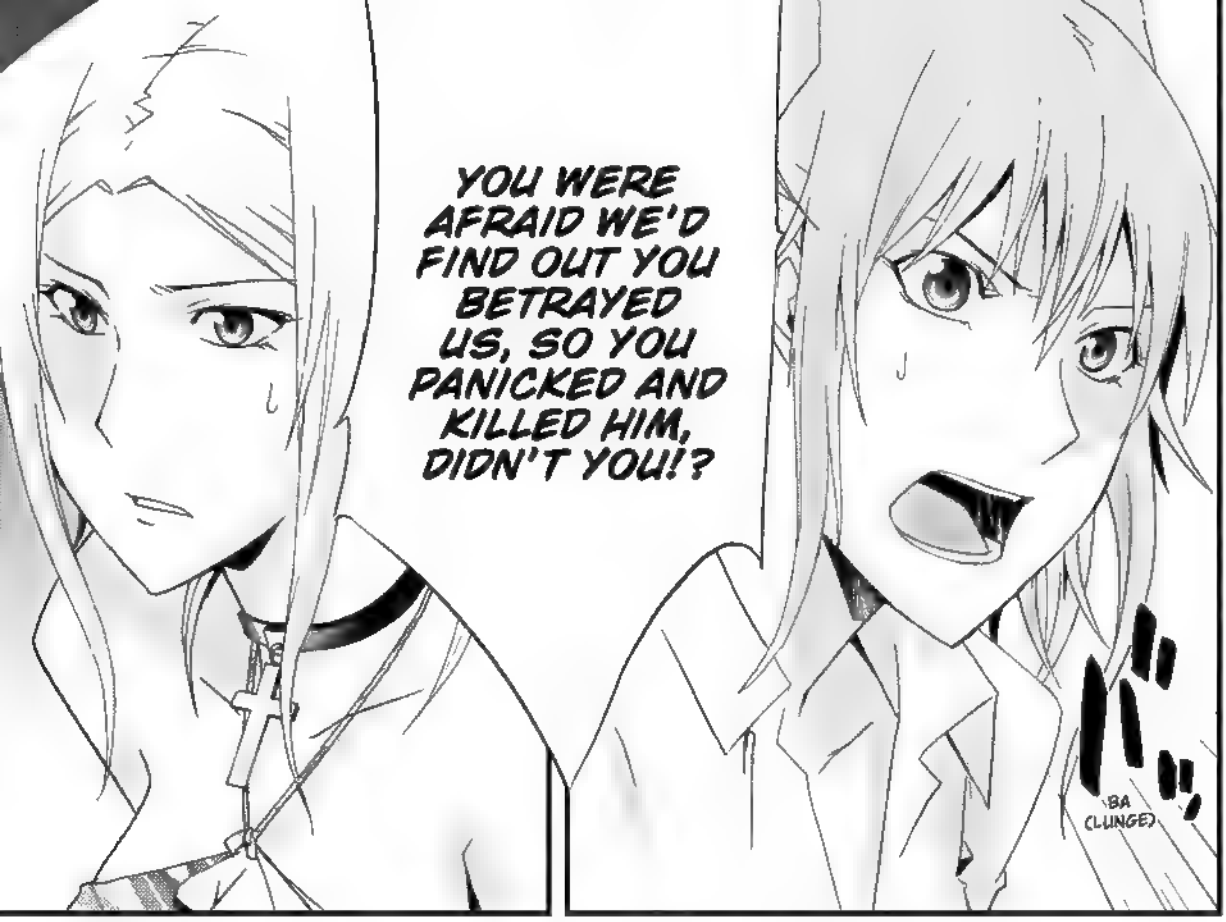
...OVER, AND OVER AGAIN...
SO YOU BROUGHT IN SOME SCISSORS YOU'D BEEN HIDING...
...AND SKEWERED HIM WITH THEM.....

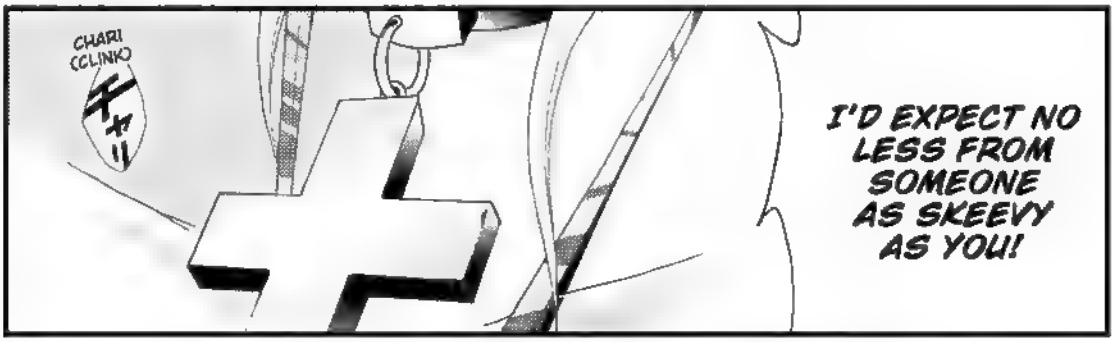
HUFF!
HUFF!
JIRI (SCUFF)
YOU'RE WRONG!!
RINA.....
.....THEN WHO KILLED HIM?
I DIDN'T DO IT!
BA (SHOUT)

.....
HOW SHOULD I KNOW!?


HUH...?
WHAT ABOUT YOU? YOU SEEM TO KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

DID YOU REALLY VOTE FOR SHINOMIYA EARLIER?
I THOUGHT IT WAS SUSPICIOUS... YOU SUDDENLY GETTING CLOSE TO US, PLAYING THE VICTIM.


YOU WERE AFRAID WE'D FIND OUT YOU BETRAYED US, SO YOU PANICKED AND KILLED HIM, DIDN'T YOU!?
BA (LUNGE)


CHARI (CLINK)
I'D EXPECT NO LESS FROM SOMEONE AS SKEEVY AS YOU!

KA (CLACK)
HEY, NOW!!
H...

PAN
(SMACK)

AND AS SOON AS THINGS DON'T GO YOUR WAY, YOU GET VIOLENT.
.....

GU
GU
(TUG)
.....
SAY ANOTHER WORD. I DARE YOU.

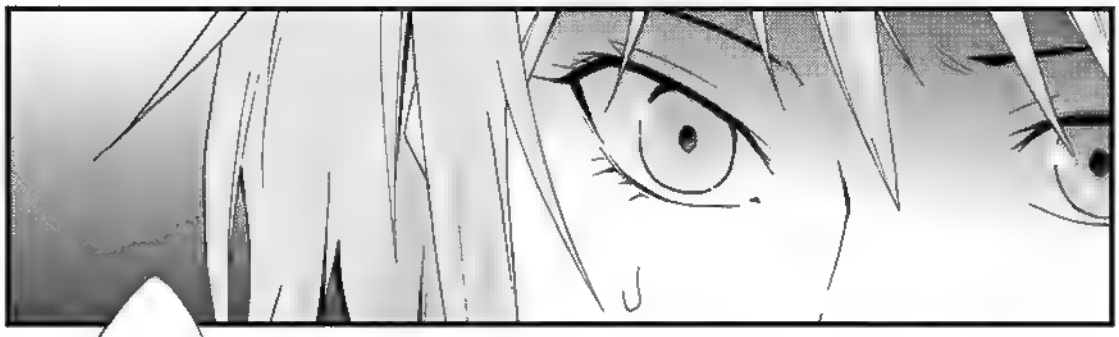
GUI
(YANK)

KARAN (CLATTER)
カラン
'COS NEXT TIME IT WON'T END WITH JUST A SLAP!
DO (WHAM)
WHAT'S THAT?
UH.....
.....

GA
(STOMP)

A CELL PHONE .....?

BA
(REACH)
TH...
THIS IS...



TA.....

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?
I WOULD APPRECIATE AN EXPLANATION.
TAKIZAWA .....

MENU
KACHA (CLICK)
...I SEE.
SO THIS WHOLE TIME, ASAI...
.....
...WAS GETTING INSTRUCTIONS THROUGH THIS CELL PHONE...
...AND DOING WHATEVER THE ARCHITECT OF THIS ASININE GAME TOLD HIM TO DO.
.....

HE MOVED US ALL WHILE WE WERE UNCONSCIOUS ...
...AND INJECTED POISON INTO THE ONE WHO REMOVED HIS MASK.

PATAN (SHUT)

WHAT A FOOL.....
Accept the result of the Judgment and end your life.
MENU
EDIT
amda arai

...YOU WERE ALL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR MURDERING SHINOMIYA..... CORRECT?
NOW THEN...
はあ
HAA (SIGH)
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "A WASTE OF TIME"?
.....
SUCH A WASTE OF TIME.

...THE PERSON WHO DIES IS DETERMINED BY THE VOTING IN "JUDGE."
REGARDLESS OF WHO THE MURDERER IS...
...IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT WHO'S SUSPICIOUS, YOU'RE EVERY BIT AS DUBIOUS.
AND...
WHAT GOOD WILL IT DO TO SEEK OUT THE KILLER AT THIS POINT?
JIRI (SCRAPE)
WHA.....!?

.....YOU THINK I KILLED HIM...?
SINCE YOU'RE THE ONE WHO STANDS TO BENEFIT MOST FROM SHINOMIYA'S DEATH...
...IT'S A NATURAL CONCLUSION.
HOW DARE YOU!
GYU (CLENCH)
WHY WOULD YOU THINK I DID IT...!?
BA (EXPLODE)
THERE'S NO WAY I WOULD'VE KILLED HIM!!

IF WE'D JUST LEFT HIM LIKE THAT, HE'D HAVE DIED EVENTUALLY.
SO WHY WOULD HIRO HAVE GONE OUT OF HIS WAY TO SAVE HIM?
HE'S RIGHT.
BUT EITHER WAY...
IF I HAD TO GUESS...
...IT COULD HAVE BEEN A TRICK, TO MAKE US DROP OUR GUARD.
KA (CLACK)

WE'LL HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO CONSIDER THE GUILTY PARTY AFTER WE LOOK AT THIS.
LOOK AT WHAT?
GOSO (RUMMAGE)
GOSO
SINCE THEY PREPARED A CELL PHONE FOR US...
GU (GWSH)
THAT'S ...!

...THAT MEANS...
...THEY WANT US TO USE IT TO LOOK AT THE DATA STORED ON THIS.

JUDGE

I'M PUTTING IN THE CARD.
SU (SWSH)
KACHI (CLICK)
.....
!
THESE ARE.....
PI (BEEP)
"Memory card loaded."

WHAT'S ON THERE...?
WHAT IS IT!?
F.....
FAMILY PHOTOS?

CHAPTER 22 COMMON FACTOR

HEY, LEMME SEE!
BA (WHIP)

WHAT'S WRONG?

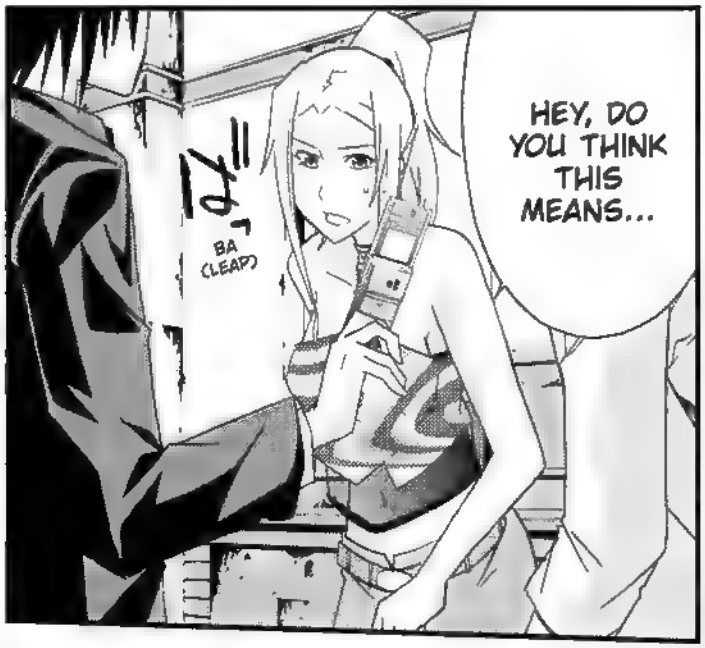
I KNEW IT...

.....

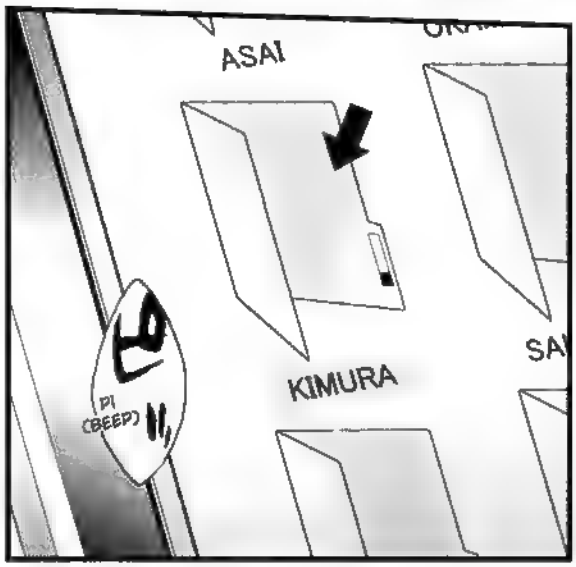
THERE ARE MORE.
HA (GASP)
KACHI (CLICK)
IT'S A PHOTO OF MY DAD AND ME...FROM BACK WHEN I WAS A KID.

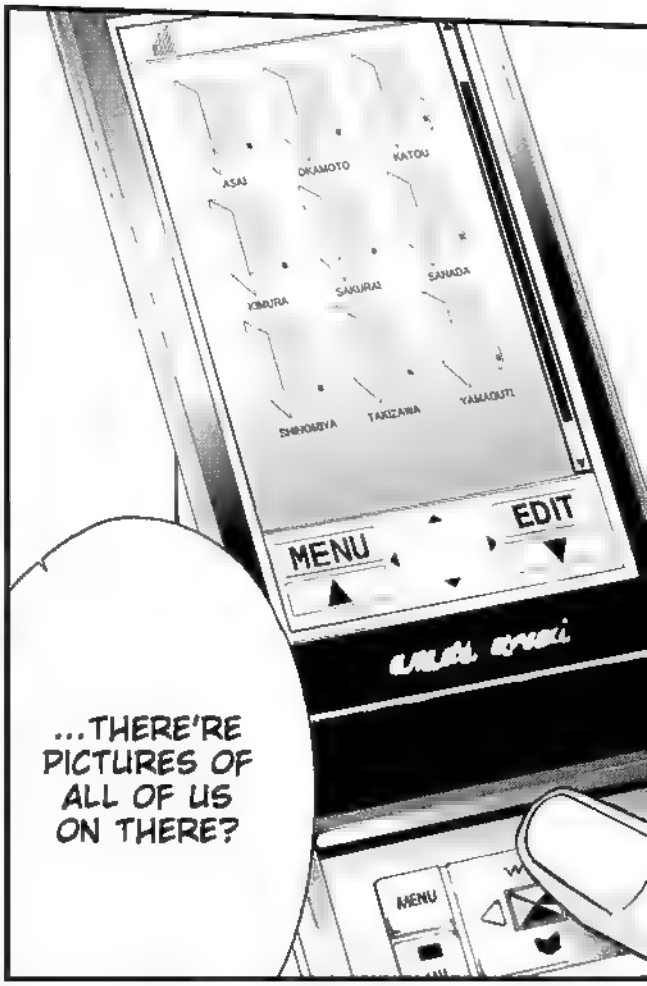
WERE THESE TAKEN WHILE SPYING ON ME!?

WHAT ARE THESE...
PI (BEEP)


HEY, DO YOU THINK THIS MEANS...
BA (LEAP)

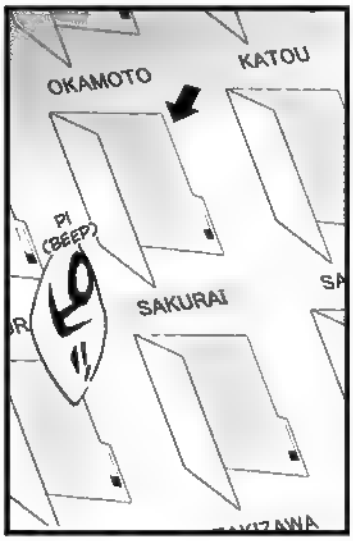
THIS IS SO CREEPY.....


ASAI
KIMURA
PI (BEEP)


ASAI
OKAMOTO
KATOU
KIMURA
SAKURAI
SANADA
SHIOMIYA
TAKIZAWA
YAMAGUTI
MENU
EDIT
...THERE'RE PICTURES OF ALL OF US ON THERE?

WHOA ...!

MENU
PITO (TAP)
TOWARD THE BOTTOM, AREN'T THOSE STICKER PHOTOS?
NO WAY .....
PI
HOW'D THEY GET AHOLD OF THESE?
!
HMM, THERE ARE QUITE A FEW PICTURES OF ME ON HERE AS WELL.


OKAMOTO
KATOU
PI (BEEP)
SAKURAI

IT APPEARS ...
...THEY'VE BEEN INVESTIGATING US.

THAT'S...

AH.....!

...MY BROTHER .....
卒業式

OOH, HE'S PRETTY COOL.
YEAH...
.....
WHAT DID THEY NEED ALL THESE PHOTOS FOR...?
BUT ANYWAY, THIS IS SERIOUSLY FREAKING ME OUT.
..... MAYBE...

...
THEY'RE
...

YAMAGUTI
...TO SHOW US OUR SINS ...?

.....

WHAT ABOUT IT?
.....
THIS PHOTO .....
I OPENED THE LAST FOLDER, FOR MIKU SANADA...
...BUT THERE AREN'T ANY PHOTOS OF HER IN THERE.
THAT'S WEIRD...

THEY MUST'VE ACCIDENTALLY PUT THE WRONG PHOTOS IN?
HUFF...
HUFF...
GU... (PRESS)
GU
.....
GII (CREAK)

チラ
CHIRA (GLANCE)
MIKU-SAN...
OH.....
カ
KA (CLACK)
WH-WHAT'S GOING ON IN HERE.....?
.....

HE WAS KILLED AT SOME POINT...
...BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHO'S RESPONSIBLE.
BUT WHAT ABOUT THAT CELL PHONE...?
OH, THIS?
KA (CLACK)
THEY'RE THINGS HERE THAT SHOW ...
OH MY GOD...
...THAT SOMEONE'S BEEN INVESTIGATING US PRETTY THOROUGHLY.

SU
(PASS)
SURE.....
UMM...
IS IT ALL RIGHT IF I TAKE A LOOK AT THAT?
GYU
(SQUEEZE)
BA
(BOLT)
!?

HUH.....?
.....!
は、
HA (GASP)
I DON'T KNOW...
WHAT'S HER PROBLEM...?

UH...
RIGHT...

DA
(DASH)
WHAT'RE YOU SPACING OUT FOR!?
WE HAVE TO GO AFTER HER!

DA

.....

GH (WIPE)
WHERE'D SHE GO...?

HAA (PANT)
HAA
WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT...?

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY SHE DID THAT.

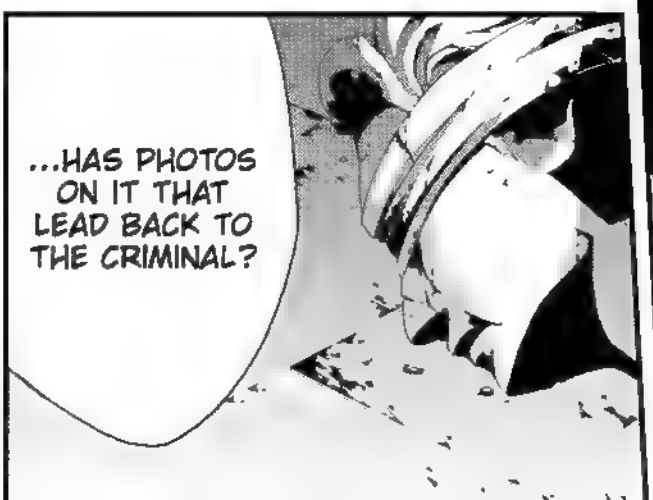
SHIT!

WHY WOULD SHE SUDDENLY STEAL THE PHONE!?
BA (SHOUT)
I'M JUST AS CLUELESS AS YOU!

.....
WHY WOULD MIKU-SAN DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT!?

...THAT PHONE...

MAYBE...


...HAS PHOTOS ON IT THAT LEAD BACK TO THE CRIMINAL?

AND...
...WHAT IF THE ONE WHO KILLED SHINOMIYA...
...WAS MIKU-SAN ...
HOLD ON!
THIS DOESN'T PROVE THAT SHE'S RESPONSIBLE!

.....
BATAN (BANG)
!?
THAT CAME FROM OVER WHERE THE MONITOR ROOM IS...
IT'LL BE FASTER TO ASK HER ABOUT IT DIRECTLY.
LET'S FIND HER FIRST AND THEN DISCUSS THIS.

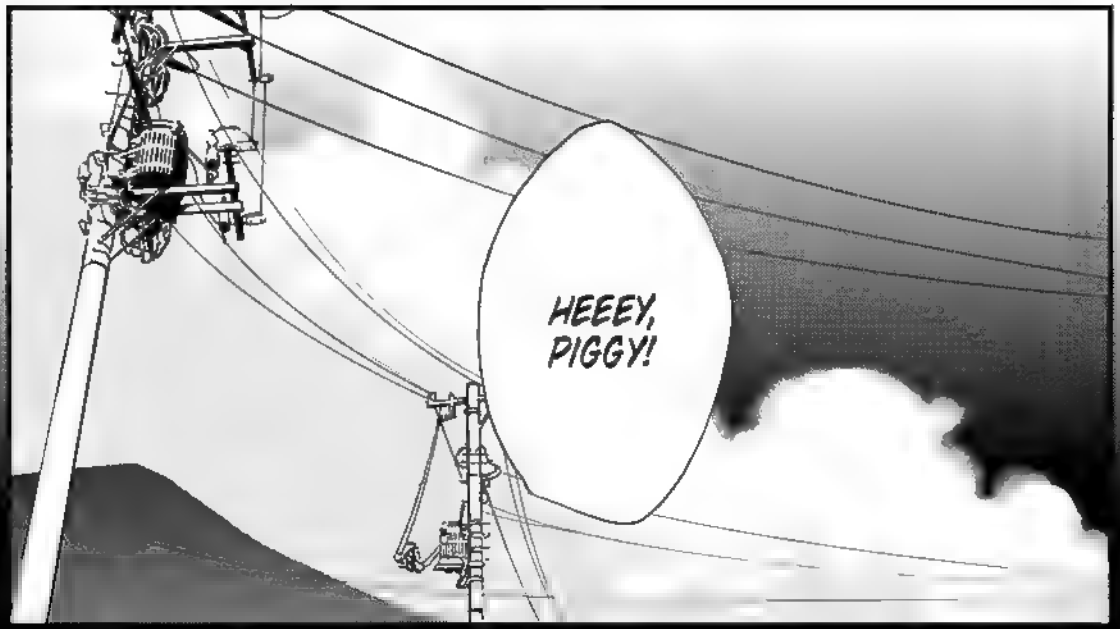
COME TO THINK OF IT, WHERE'S TAKIZAWA?
FORGET ABOUT THAT GUY.
.....IF YOU SAY SO.
HE'LL PROBABLY COME AFTER US IN HIS OWN GOOD TIME.
WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO LEARN SOMETHING FROM HER...
C'MON, LET'S HURRY.
BA (FWIP)

IT'S POSSIBLE ...
.....
WHY'RE YOU STANDING THERE IN A DAZE?
...SHE JUST MIGHT KNOW WHO THIS MAN WAS.....
SORRY .....

ピピピ…
(ZZZ)

……

N.....
NO.....
.....
FURU
(TREMBLE)
FURU
HAIR


HEEEY,
PIGGY!

BIKU (FLINCH)
DON'T IGNORE ME, PIGGY.
AWW, GIVE HER A BREAK.
SHE'S NOT HUMAN, SO YOU CAN'T EXPECT HER TO ANSWER!
.....GH.
HUNH?
GYU (CLENCH)
HAR HAR!
GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT!

GA (GRAB)
!?
BURU (TREMBLE)
BURU
I-I'M NOT A PIGGY...
GU (SQUEEZE)
GU
SINCE YOU'RE A PIGGY, YOU SHOULD JUST SQUEAL LIKE A PIGGY.
WHAT'D YOU JUST SAY?
GICHI (SQUISH)
GICHI
YOU'LL LOOK JUST LIKE A REAL PIGGY!
IF YOU DON'T, WE'LL STRIP YOU DOWN AND THROW YOU OUT INTO THE STREET.

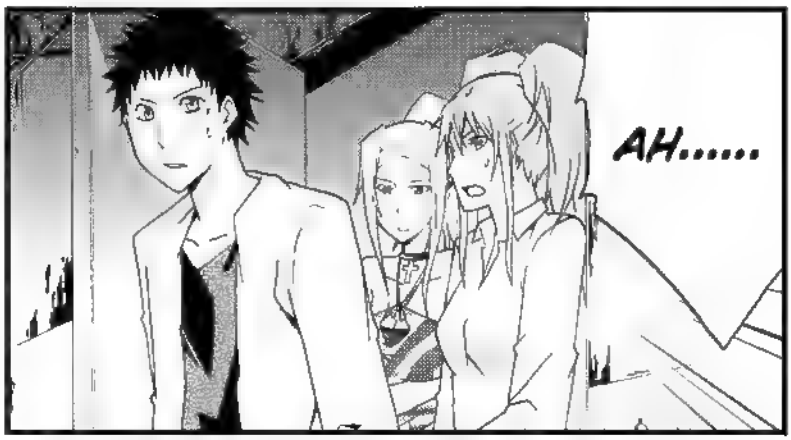
OOINK.....
GASHA (SMASH)

YORO (SWAY)
I'M NOT A PIG...
HUFF...
HUFF...
NO.....
BAKI (CRACK)
I'M NOTHING LIKE THAT UGLY GIRL!!

HUFF...
HUFF...
BOGI (SNAP)
I'M DIFFERENT NOW!
I WAS REBORN!!
MEKI (CRACK)
I'M NOT A PIG!!
GASHA (SMASH)

MIKU-SAN
...
GACHA (CHK)
BIKU (FLINCH)

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE!!?
BA (LUNGE)


AH.....

THE PHONE'S COMPLETELY DESTROYED.
GACHA (CHIK)
IT'S NO USE.....
I.....
...DIDN'T MEAN TO...
DAMN...
THEN WHAT WERE YOU TRYING TO DO!!?
EEK!

JI (ZZT)
JI
WHY DID YOU DESTROY THE PHONE!? ANSWER ME!
ZA (ZSH)
ZA
!
HOLD ON...
EVERYONE, TAKE A LOOK AT THIS...

HERE.....
(TAP)
...THIS WOMAN ON THE SCREEN...
.....?
WHAT ABOUT HER?

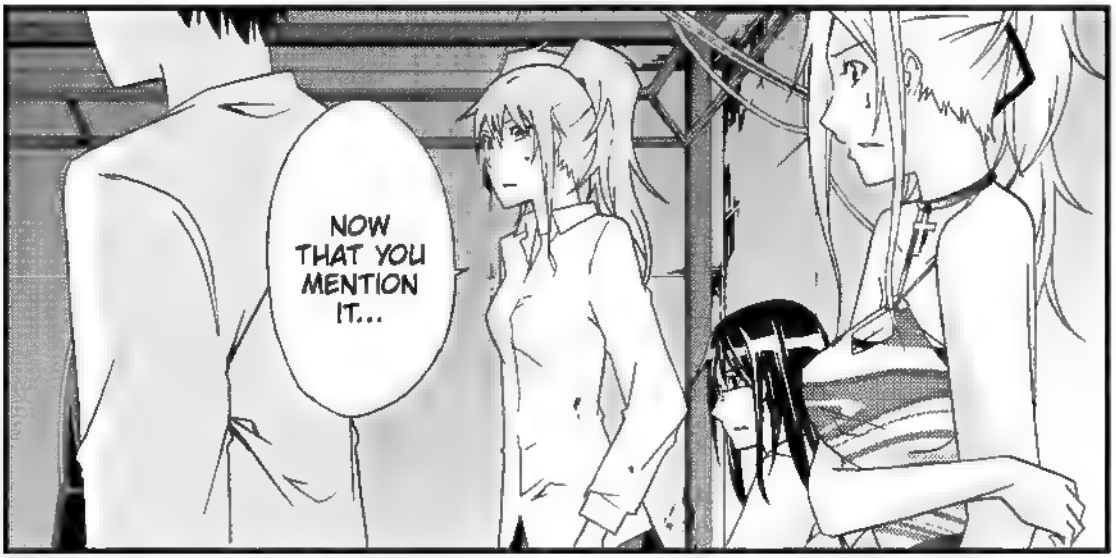
AND HIM...
THIS GUY...
...AND THIS ONE TOO...

THE NUMBER OF DEAD PEOPLE IS INCREASING...
.....IT'S NOT JUST THAT.

ALL OF THESE PEOPLE...

...WERE IN THE PHOTOS WE LOOKED AT ON THE CELL PHONE!!
THOSE PEOPLE PLAYING THE GAME SOME-WHERE ELSE...
...ARE RELATED TO US!!

CHAPTER 23 JOINT LIABILITY


NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...

HA (GASP)

...WAS IN ONE OF THE PHOTOS WITH SHINOMIYA, I THINK.

...THIS WOMAN...

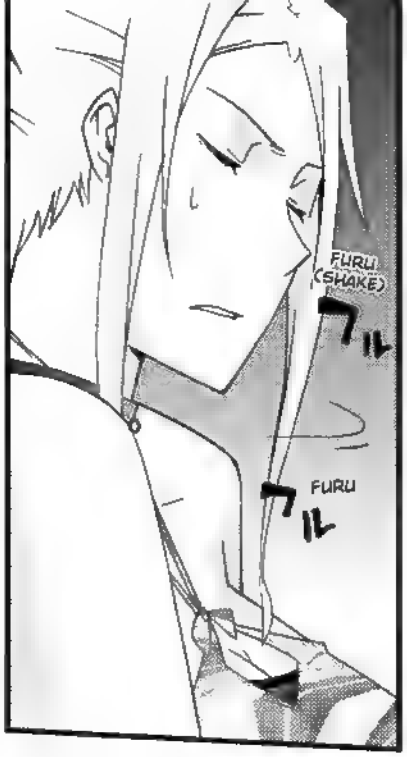
BA
(LLINGE)

IS THAT
...!?

IT CAN'T
BE.

ASAMI-SAN...
WHAT IS IT?

SOMEONE YOU KNOW?
IS THAT IMAI-SAN...?
I THINK THIS GUY...
PITO... (PRESS)
YOUR FIANCÉ ...?
...MIGHT BE MY FIANCÉ.


FURU (SHAKE)
FURU

...ARE YOU SURE?
THE RESOLUTION ISN'T GREAT... AND THEY'VE GOT MASKS ON, SO HOW CAN YOU TELL...?

THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, THAT'S HIM.....

JI (ZZT)
JI
THE BURN SCAR ON HIS HAND...
...HE GOT IT WHEN HE WAS LITTLE.

.....THEN ARE YOU SAYING...

...THAT THE PEOPLE ON THESE MONITORS, WHO ARE BEING FORCED TO KILL ONE ANOTHER ELSEWHERE...
...ARE REALLY ALL PEOPLE WE KNOW...?

HOW COME ALL THE PEOPLE WHO'VE DIED OVER THERE...
.....
BUT THEN, WHY?
WHAT'S THE POINT OF ALL THIS...?
...ARE RELATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OVER HERE WHO'VE DIED?
HEY.....

EVEN IF YOU ASK ME, I DON'T ...
"HOW COME"...?
COULD IT BE...
C.....

...ARE BEING CARRIED OUT OVER THERE TOO!?

...THAT THE RESULTS OF OUR JUDGMENT ...

...THAT THE RESULTS OF OUR JUDGMENT ...

...ARE BEING CARRIED OUT OVER THERE TOO!?

NO.....
BA (SHOVE)
...IT CAN'T BE...
WHAT'S SHE DOING HERE...?
IS THAT MY MOM.....?

WHAT'RE THEY TRYING TO ACCOM-PLISH!?

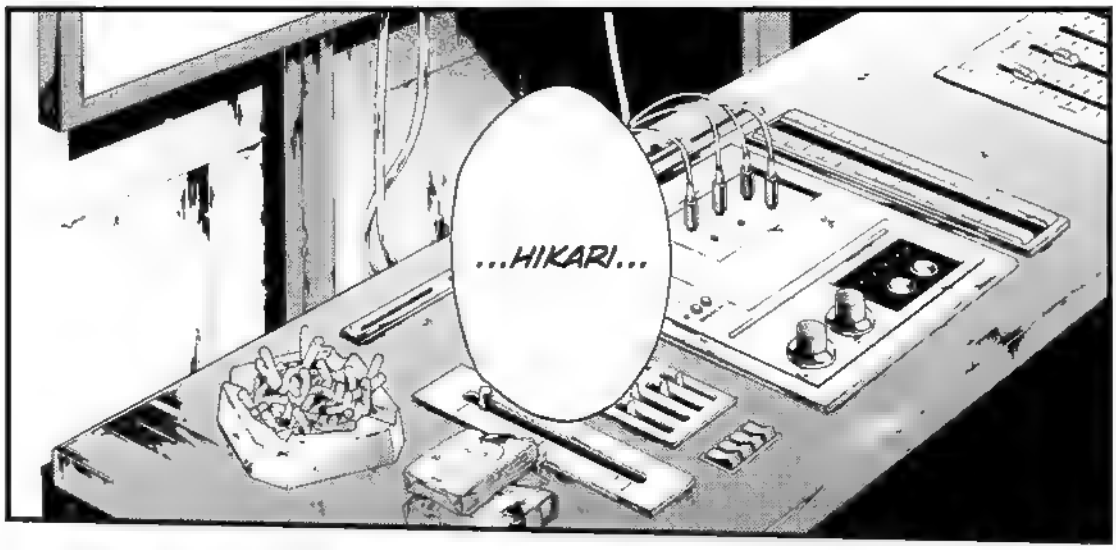
GYU (CLENCH)
IT'S NOT JUST ME, BUT MY MOM AS WELL.....

GRANDPA .....?

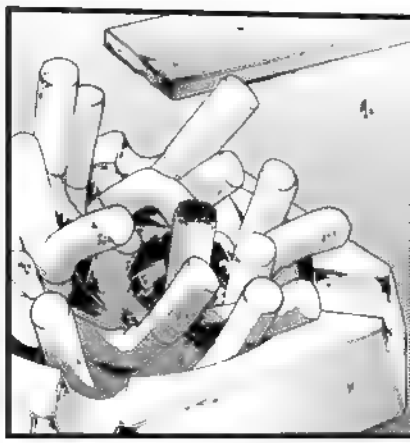
.....

I DON'T REMEMBER DOING ANYTHING TO DESERVE THIS!
G.....

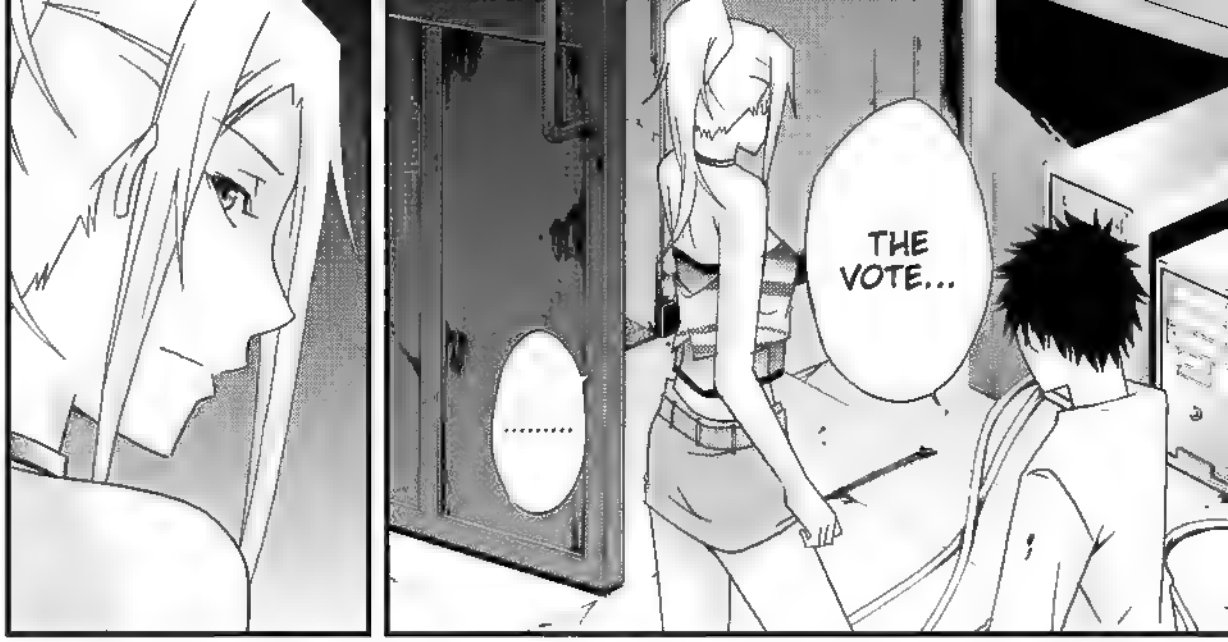
MY BROTHER'S PASSED, SO I DON'T HAVE ANY FAMILY LEFT...
GYU (SQUEAK)
WHICH MEANS THE PERSON OVER THERE MUST BE...


...HIKARI...

KA (CLACK)



ASAMI-SAN.
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
THERE'S NO POINT IN STAYING HERE ANY LONGER.
GII (CREAK)
AND THE MORON WHO BROKE THE CELL PHONE ISN'T SAYING ANYTHING.
SO I'M GOING TO THE NEXT VOTE.


THE VOTE...
.....

AFTER WHAT SHE'S DONE, HOW DO YOU THINK IT WILL GO?
BIKU (FLINCH)
HAVE YOU PREPARED YOURSELF?

BECAUSE IN THE NEXT "JUDGE"...
...I'M VOTING FOR YOU.

FOUR PEOPLE CAN SURVIVE..... YOU SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT BY NOW.
WHAT'RE YOU SAYING!?
H... HEY!
BA (F.W.P)
WHY WE'RE IN THIS SITUATION...
...AND THE PURPOSE OF THOSE PHOTOS... NONE OF THAT MATTERS.

AFTER WE'RE SAFE, I'LL LEAVE IT UP TO THE POLICE TO INVESTIGATE WHAT HAPPENED HERE.
GII (CREAK)
ASAMI-SAN.....

I'M GOING TO BE ONE OF THOSE FOUR PEOPLE.
KA (CLACK)
I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE WITH THAT MAN.

YOU GUYS ...
...SHOULDN'T CONCERN YOURSELVES WITH SOMEBODY LIKE THAT EITHER.

.....
HEY.....
GU (GRIT)
WHAT'RE YOU PLANNING TO DO?

PLEASE!
EXPLAIN TO US WHY YOU DID IT!
KA (CLACK)
MIKU-SAN.
BIKU (FLINCH)

IF YOU DON'T...
...THEN EVEN WE'LL HAVE TO...

WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO BACK YOU UP.
SU (STOOP)
HEY.
IF THERE'S SOMETHING YOU KNOW, TELL US.
SO... PLEASE?
.....HUH?
BOSO (WHISPER)

YOU'RE A GOOD PERSON.
EH?

.....?
SORRY, WHAT WAS THAT?

YOU LOOKED LIKE SUCH A HAPPY FAMILY IN THAT PHOTO...
amda anai

YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL, KIND, AND...
...YOU WERE RAISED IN A LOVING HOME, HUH...

...SHE THINKS BECAUSE SHE'S CUTE, SHE CAN GET AWAY WITH ANYTHING!
GU (GRIT)
AND THAT GIRL...
SHE'S GOT THAT LOOK IN HER EYES.
I'M...
.....I'M DIFFERENT FROM YOU GUYS!
AND TAKIZAWA'S OBVIOUSLY LIVED A LIFE FREE OF HARDSHIP.

I'VE ONLY BEEN THINKING ABOUT HOW I CAN SURVIVE.
THAT YOU WANT EVERYONE TO BE SAVED...
AND YOU ACTUALLY MEAN IT, DON'T YOU?
GYU (SQUEEZE)
AND YOU TOO...
...YOU'VE BEEN SAYING IT ALL THIS TIME.

IN THE LAST JUDGMENT ...
...I WAS THE ONE WHO VOTED FOR YOU.

I WAS SCARED!!

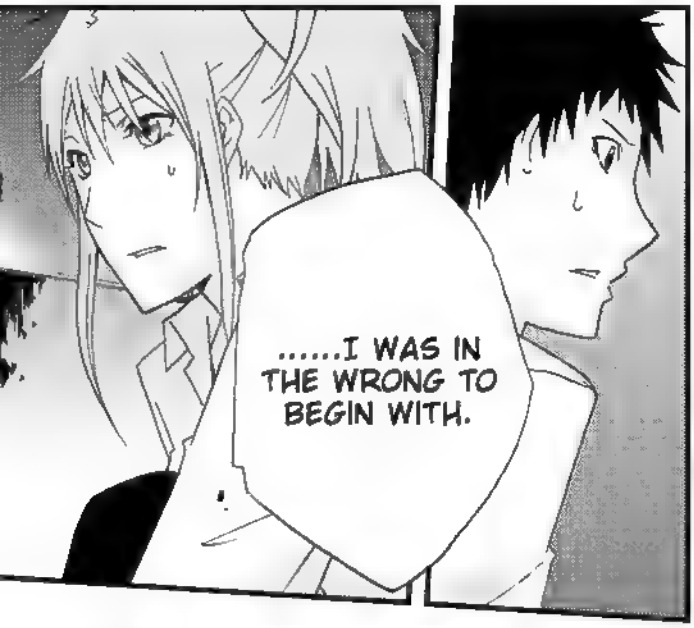
WHA.....
WHAT'D YOU DO THAT FOR!?
BURU
BURU (SHAKE)

HE CAUGHT ME SECRETLY EATING THAT FOOD...
GUSHA (CRUMPLE)
IF HE TOLD EVERYONE ABOUT IT, YOU'D OBVIOUSLY ALL VOTE FOR ME!

I'VE BEEN SO ANXIOUS, WONDERING WHEN EVERYONE WOULD FIND OUT, AND DIDN'T KNOW WHAT ELSE TO DO.
BURU (TREMBLE)
BURU
I...FELT LIKE I WAS GOING TO LOSE IT.....

...MIKU-SAN.
SU (REACH)

JUST LEAVE ME ALONE!!


.....I WAS IN THE WRONG TO BEGIN WITH.

.....

TRYING TO FOOL EVERYONE— TRYING TO FOOL MYSELF— THINKING I COULD LIVE MY LIFE THAT WAY...

MY HEART IS STILL UGLY...
...IF ANYTHING, IT'S EVEN UGLIER NOW THAN IT WAS BEFORE.

HA-HA...

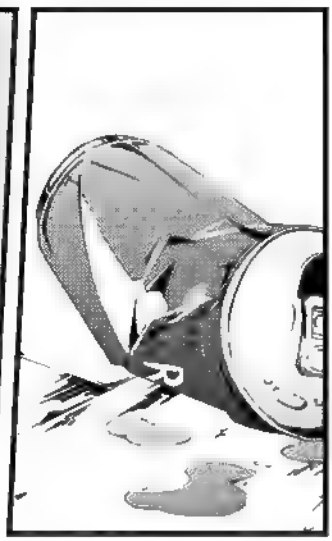
I'M SUCH AN IDIOT.

PEOPLE ARE ONLY NICE AT FIRST...
IN THE END, I HAVEN'T CHANGED INSIDE, SO NOTHING'S REALLY CHANGED AT ALL.

Before
After
生まれ変わった自分に出会いませんか？
これで貴方も幸せになれる！
約制
様限定
ご予約・お問合せ
03-9784-
担当/江
【営業時間】
12:00～21
TELLING ME I CAN FIND HAPPINESS...
AD: WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO BE REBORN? NOW YOU TOO CAN FIND HAPPINESS!

WHAT A LOAD OF CRAP...

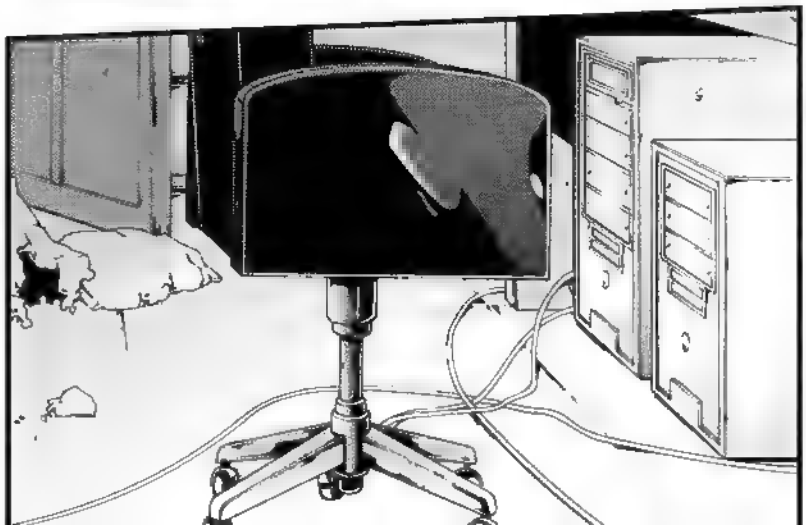
BIKU (FLINCH)
DID...
...YOU...

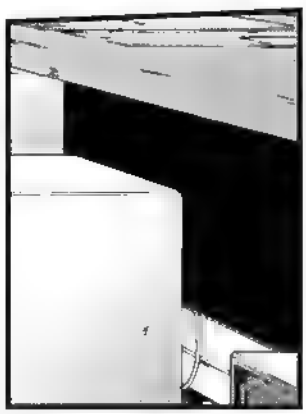


...SO, PLEASE...

I'LL MAKE SURE TO SHOW UP FOR THE NEXT ROUND OF "JUDGE"...

...DON'T MAKE ME FEEL ANY MORE PATHETIC THAN I ALREADY DO.....





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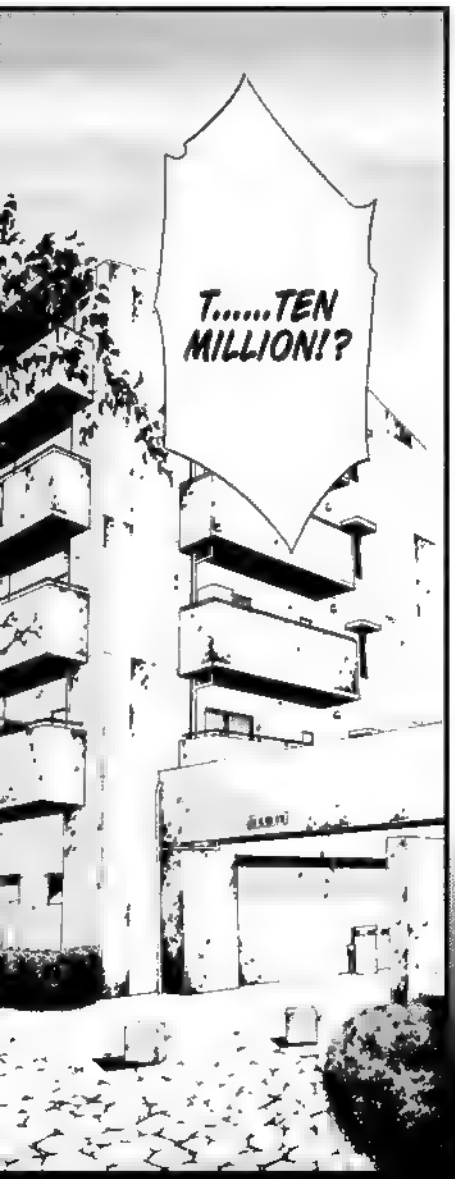

T.....TEN MILLION!?

GRANDPA
.....

...WHERE COULD I...
...POSSIBLY GET THAT MUCH MONEY?
PON (PAT)
BESIDES, MIKU, YOU'RE MY ADORABLE GRANDDAUGHTER.
BA (FWIP)
LIAR!!
PLEASE STAY JUST THE WAY YOU ARE.

SO IT'S PARTLY YOUR FAULT, GRANDPA!!
IT'S BECAUSE OF GENETICS THAT I'M THIS HIDEOUS.
GU (PRESS)
I WANT TO BE REBORN...
MIKU.....
I WANT TO FIND HAPPINESS...
.....

BACK THEN I GOT ANGRY AND SAID SOMETHING SO CRUEL...
SU (TOUCH)
...BUT TRUTHFULLY I WAS HAPPY TO HEAR THAT FROM YOU.

...I WOULD'VE JUST DONE AS YOU ASKED...

IF I KNEW THINGS WOULD TURN OUT LIKE THIS...

NO MATTER WHAT IT TAKES...
GIRI (SCRAPE)
...I WON'T LET ANYONE KILL YOU, GRANDPA.....
GU (GRIT)
I DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO ME.
BUT...

JUDGE

10:09:58
SHE'S LATE...
10:10:02
YOU GUYS SHOULD GO BRING HER HERE, EVEN IF YOU HAVE TO DRAG HER.
JIRO (GLARE)
SHE KNOWS SHE'S GONNA BE KILLED, SO OF COURSE SHE'S NOT GONNA COME ON HER OWN.

WHY DID YOU TWO COME BACK WITHOUT HER?
.....
KA (CLACK)
MIKU-SAN!
KA

CHAPTER 24 4TH JUDGE

HUH.
I'M IMPRESSED YOU CAME HERE ON YOUR OWN, KNOWING YOU'RE GONNA BE KILLED.
SU (SWSH)
.....
WHAT? SO NOW YOU'RE IGNORING ME?
SUCH A BAD ATTITUDE.

HMPH.
.....
GATA (CLATTER)
AT LEAST COME UP WITH SOME SORT OF COMEBACK.
PI (PRESS)
WELL, WHATEVER.

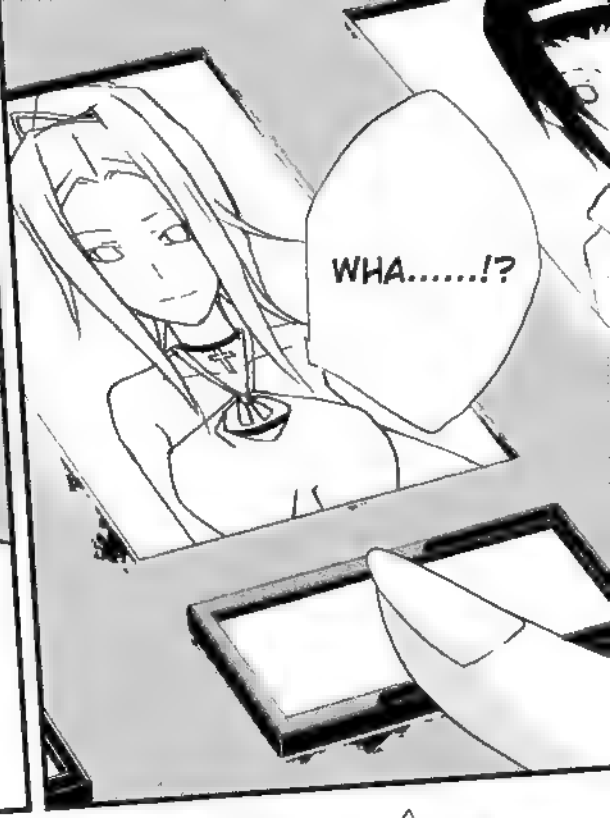
!
PI (PRESS)
I HEARD WHAT HAPPENED, AND I'M VOTING FOR SANADA TOO.
NOW THIS FUCKED-UP GAME CAN BE OVER AND DONE WITH.
NOW...
...WE ONLY NEED ONE MORE VOTE.
GLI (CLENCH)

.....
I...
MIKU-SAN?
BOGO (MUTTER)
WHAT'RE YOU SO CONFLICTED ABOUT?
HURRY UP AND PUSH THE BUTTON.

BOSO (MUTTER)
?
...WHAT'S WRONG?
...HUH?
WHAT'RE YOU TWO WHISPERING ABOUT...?

PI
(PRESS)
THERE YOU GO.
THAT'S MORE LIKE IT...
GATA
(CLATTER)
YOU CAN DO IT IF YOU TRY...

!?


WHA.....!?

AREN'T YOU GOING AFTER THE WRONG PERSON!?
.....

WAIT!
BA (LUNGE)

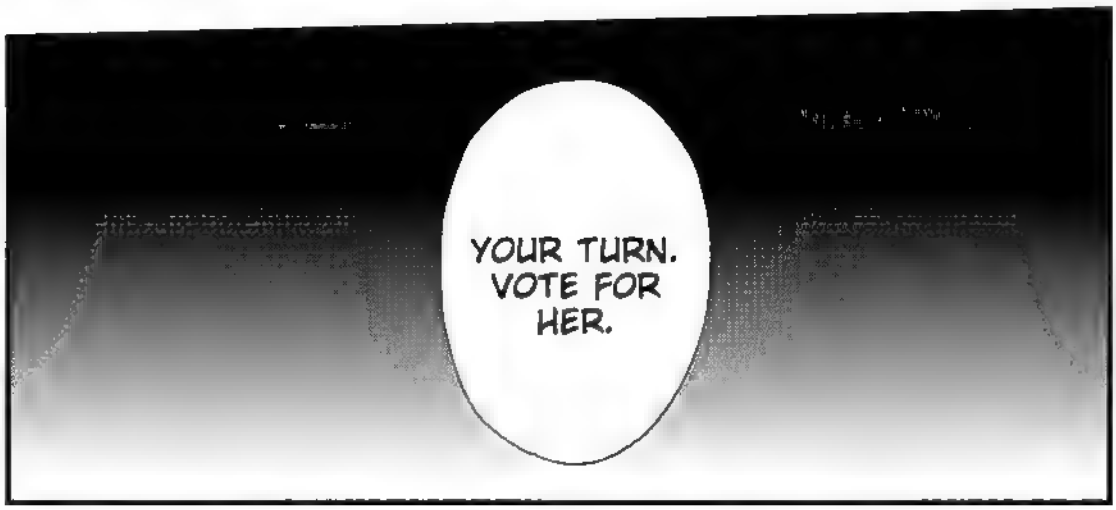
WHY'RE YOU VOTING FOR ME!!?

I'M SORRY...
HUFF...
I.....
RINA...?
YORO (SWAY)
POTA (DRIP)
POTA
HUFF...

WHAT THE HELL'RE YOU DOING!!?
WHA...
JK... (SLICE)
DID YOU...
...JUST FORCE HER VOTE LIKE THAT!?

.....!
DON'T COME ANY CLOSER.
SU (SWSH)
GU (PRESS)
GU
AAA AAAAA AAAAA AUGH!
GUI (YANK)
IT'D BE TERRIBLE IF SHE GOT A SCAR ON HER PRETTY FACE, DON'T YOU THINK?

SAKURAI-KUN.


YOUR TURN. VOTE FOR HER.

VOTE FOR HER, AND I'LL LET RINA GO.

HUH ...?

SO IT MIGHT AS WELL BE HER.
.....!
GU (PRESS)
IT'S ALL THE SAME TO YOU, WHOEVER DIES NEXT, ISN'T IT?
GIRI (GRIT)

KILL HER!!
BIKU (JOLT)
BISHI (JAB)
YOU KNOW WHAT SHE'S DONE!
ASAMI-SAN...?
HURRY UP AND VOTE FOR HER!!

I'M NOT.....
GIRI (GRIT)
I.....
GU (CLENCH)
DO IT NOW!!
JUST PRESS IT ALREADY!!

PI
(BEEP)
07
11

All votes have been cast.

ARE YOU KIDDING ME...?

ANOTHER TIE...?
PIG(8) 2
CAT(8) 2
!!
.....

ARE YOU A COMPLETE MORON...?

WHY WOULD YOU VOTE FOR YOURSELF AT THIS POINT!?
BA (SHOUT)
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT YOU'VE DONE!?
.....

.....!

.....YOU ...

The votes are tied.

The two people who have received an equal number of votes...

...must now fight to the death.

BIKU (FLINCH)
KA (CLACK)
STAY RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE!
IF.....
IF YOU COME ANY CLOSER...
...I REALLY WILL KILL HER!!

HA-HA... THAT'S RIGHT.
STAY PERFECTLY STILL.
!
PITA (STOP)
SU (SLIDE)
IF YOU MOVE IN THE SLIGHTEST, YOU KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN.
BUT I DON'T REALLY CARE.
GATA (CLANK)
WAI...

GASHA
(CRASH)
!?
BA
(JUMP)

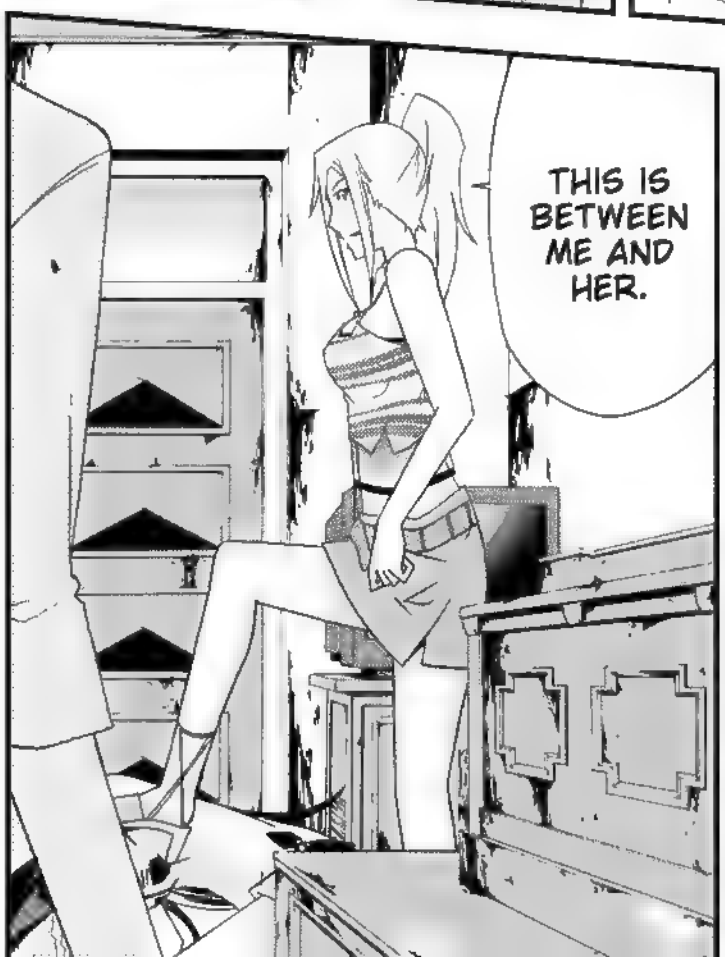
HUFF!
HUFF!

EE—
BIKU
(FLINCH)

IT'S PATHETIC HOW SKITTISH YOU ARE— ALWAYS LOOKING TO EVERYONE ELSE FOR DIRECTION.

H.....
JIRI (SHAKY)
JIRI
HELP ME.....
GIRI (CRITO)
WE SHOULD'VE KILLED YOU AT THE START!!
HUNH?
!!
GA (WHACK)

BA (BOLT)
GU (SHOVE)
GA
AAH...
OWW!
GA (KICK)
MIKU-SAN...
AAAAA AUGH!


THIS IS BETWEEN ME AND HER.

PIKU (FLINCH)
SHUT UP AND STAY OUT OF IT.

AGH!
GASU (THWACK)
ISN'T THIS WHAT YOU WANTED TO HAPPEN?
YOU MADE SURE OF THAT.
GOSU (WHAM)
...SHE MAKES A FAIR POINT.

...OH?
SU (STOOP)
YOU'RE STILL ALIVE.
GUI (YANK)
NGH ...
!?
MEKI (CRACK)

GUSHA (SPLAT)
IF YOU DON'T HURRY UP AND DIE, YOU'LL BE CAUSING TROUBLE FOR ALL OF US!!
GURI (GRIND)
GURI
THAT'S NO GOOD!
TOSU (SHNK)
GUSHA
HURRY UP!!

...NO... WAY...

POTA

POTA (DRIP)

HOW...

.....EH?

NII (GRIND)

PI (FLICK)

...NO... WAY...
POTA
POTA (DRIP)
HOW...
NII (GRIND)
.....EH?
PI (FLICK)

AH.....
AAAAAH!!
...OU
.....
POTA
(DRIP)
POTA
POTA
SU
(HSHS)
Y...
OU...

THAT'S THE SORT OF GAME THIS IS.
I HAVE NO CHOICE.
KACHA (CLINK)
S...
STOP...

UH...

UNNGH!

The Fourth Judgment is over.

PICHA (SPLAT)

ピチャ

GACHA (CLICK)

ガチャ

PICHA

ピチャ

The Fourth Judgment is over.
PICHA (SPLAT)
ピチャ
PICHA
ピチャ

UH...
UNNGH!
ガチャ
GACHA (CLICK)

TA
(DASH)
!?
HA
(GASP)
.....
LET'S GO!!
GATA
(RATTLE)

GARAN (CLANG)
!?
SU (SLIDE)
GII (CREAK)
MIKU-SAN...
I...
IS IT POSSIBLE ...

...THE LAST DOOR...
...IS OPEN...!?

KA
(CLACK)
.....
THIS
IS IT!

WE SUR-VIVED!!

THE EXIT!!!

SU (SLIDE)

NOW WE CAN ESCAPE!

AH HA HA!

KA (CLACK)

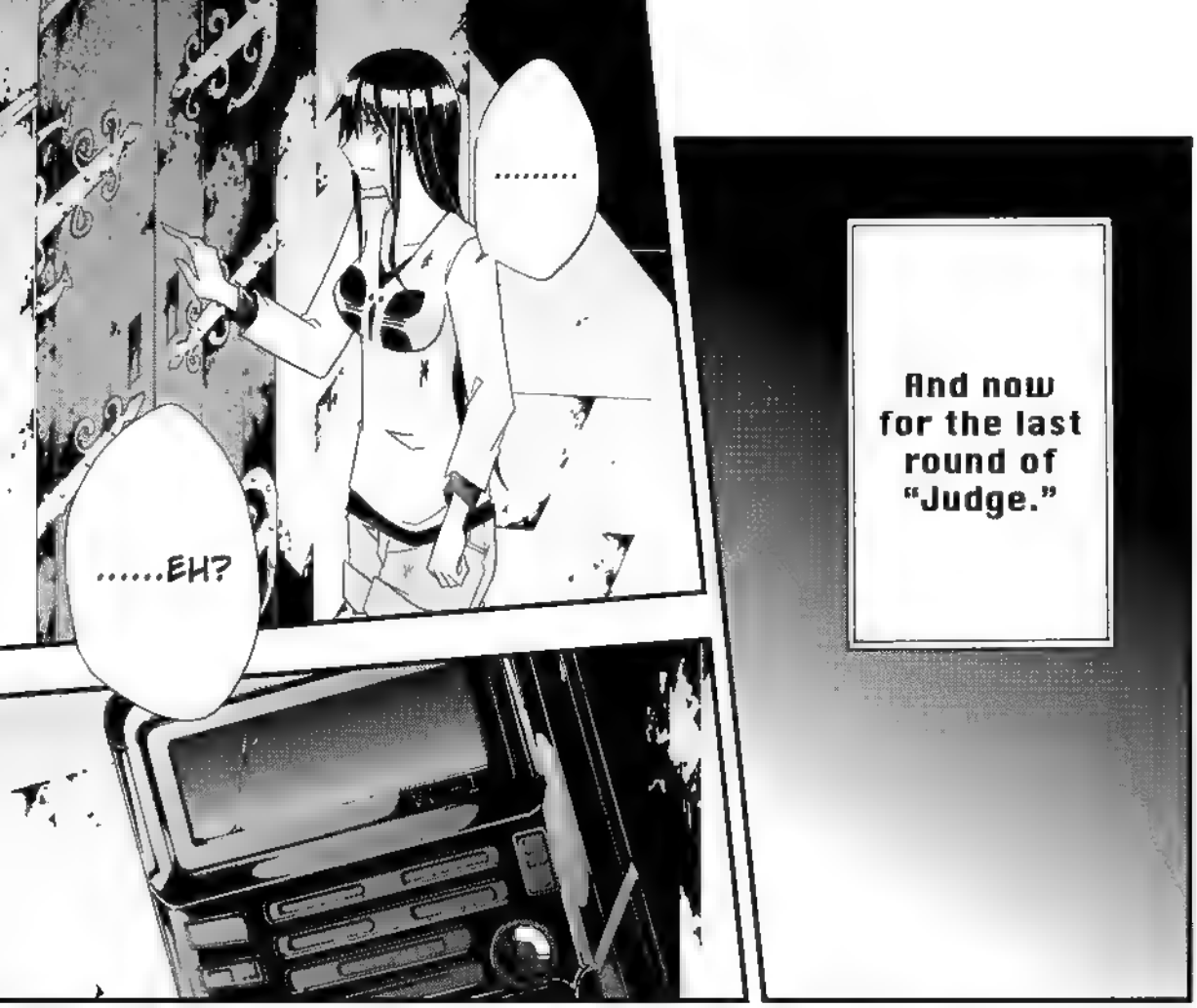
THE EXIT!!!
NOW WE CAN ESCAPE!
AH HA HA!
KA (CLACK)

WE SUR-VIVED!!
SU (SLIDE)

CHAPTER 25 LAST JUDGE

.....
IT'S OVER?
HEY!
GU (TUG)
GU
WHAT THE HELL!!?
GACHA (RATTLE)
GACHA

"JUDGE" IS OVER NOW, RIGHT?
GACHA
WHY WON'T IT OPEN...?
GACHA (RATTLE)
Kshh ...
Zzt...
HA (GASP)
LET US OUT ALREADY!


.....
.....EH?
And now for the last round of "Judge."

The time has come for all of you...
...to determine who will be the final four people to escape from here alive.

WHAT ELSE DO YOU EXPECT US TO DO!!?
.....
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN...?
BA (FWIP)
THERE ARE ALREADY ONLY FOUR OF US ALIVE!
GII (CREAK)

THERE'S ANOTHER DOOR OVER THERE.
KA (CLACK)
IS.....
IS SOMEBODY THERE...?

KA
(CLACK)

WHO...
JIRI (SCRAPE)
WHO ARE YOU!? ANSWER ME!!
KA (CLACK)
WHO ARE YOU.....?
GU (SQUEEZE)
S-STO—

DAN
(SHUNK)
ZURU
(SLUMP)

.....
DOSA
(THUMP)
HUH.....?

MI.....
WHY...
TAJI (FIDGET)
...WOULD YOU...?
MIKU-SAN ...?
GORO (ROLL)
GACHA (CHAK)
SU (SHK)

R...
BA (DASH)
RUN AWAY ...!
.....
TAKI-ZAWA!!

C'MON!!
BA (FWIP)
GU (GRAB)
WHAT'RE YOU WAITING FOR!?
HE'S GONNA KILL US!!
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT!?
I THOUGHT THIS "JUDGE" THING WAS OVER!!
BAN (BANG)

GAN (CLANG)
!?
WHY'D HE HAVE TO KILL MIKU-SAN...?
WHY'RE YOU JUST SITTING THERE!!?
GAN
BRING THE BOLT TO SHUT THE DOOR!!
THAT MAN IN THE LION MASK...

HUH?
...THE ONE WHO KILLED SANADA...
...IS MY FATHER.
...WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
SU (RISE)
.....

THAT OTHER ROOM WE SAW ON THE MONITORS...
...MUST BE BEHIND THOSE DOORS.

WAI... WAIT JUST A MINUTE!!
GASHAN (CLANK)
WHY WOULD YOUR FATHER KILL MIKU-SAN?
BA (FWIP)
IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE.
GASHA (CLANG)
IT'S LIKE THE ANNOUNCE-MENT SAID.

YES.

THE STUFFED TOY SAID SO IN THE BEGINNING.

THAT ONLY FOUR PEOPLE WOULD SURVIVE...

BUT...

GARI (SCREE)

FIGHT TO THE DEATH...?

THE FOUR OF US AND THE FOUR OF THEM...

...THE EIGHT SURVIVING PEOPLE— ARE TO FIGHT TO THE DEATH.

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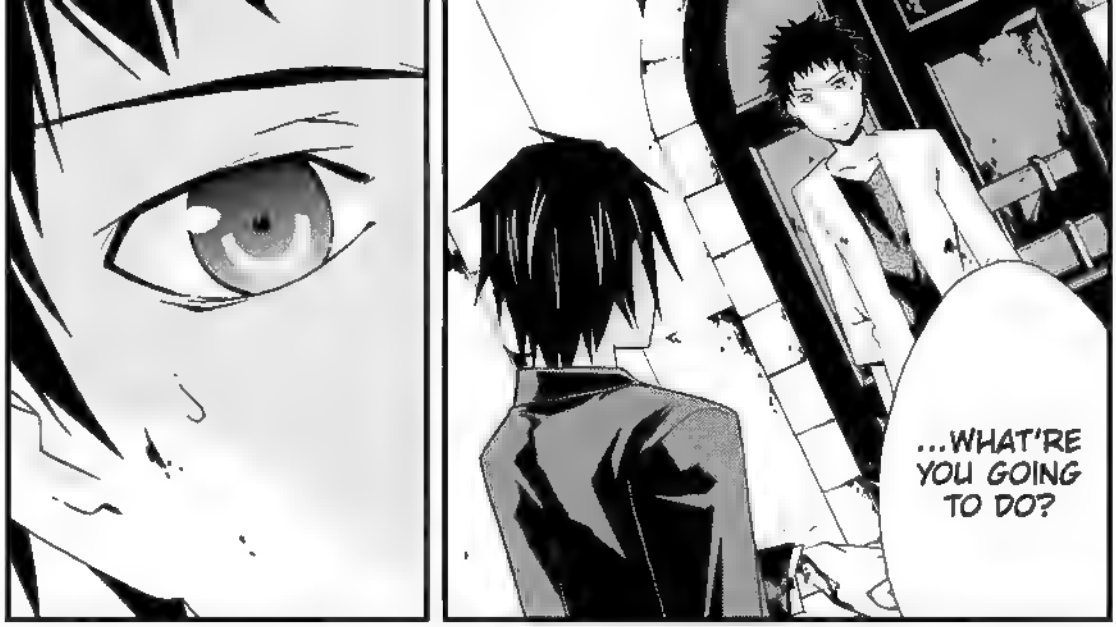
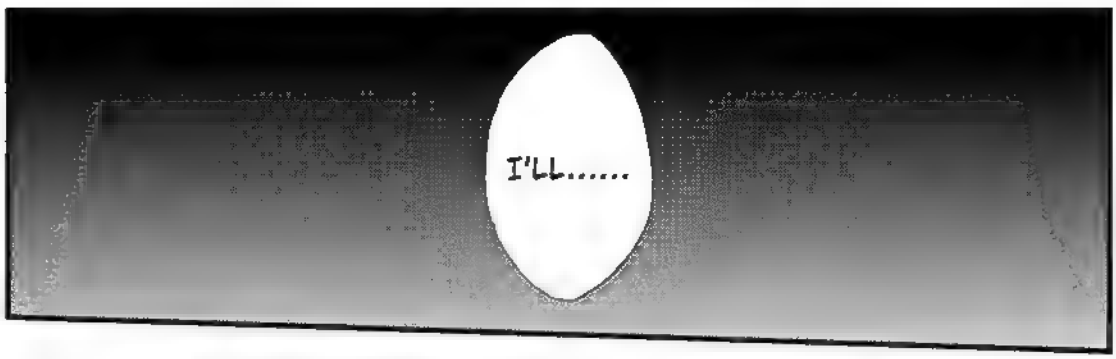
YES.
THE STUFFED TOY SAID SO IN THE BEGINNING.
THAT ONLY FOUR PEOPLE WOULD SURVIVE...
BUT...
GARI (SCREE)

!?
GAGI (GATLINK)
SORRY...
POTA DRIP
POTA
SHIT. IT WON'T BE LONG BEFORE HE GETS THROUGH.
GIRI (SCREE)
GI (SQUEAK)
WHA...!?
.....

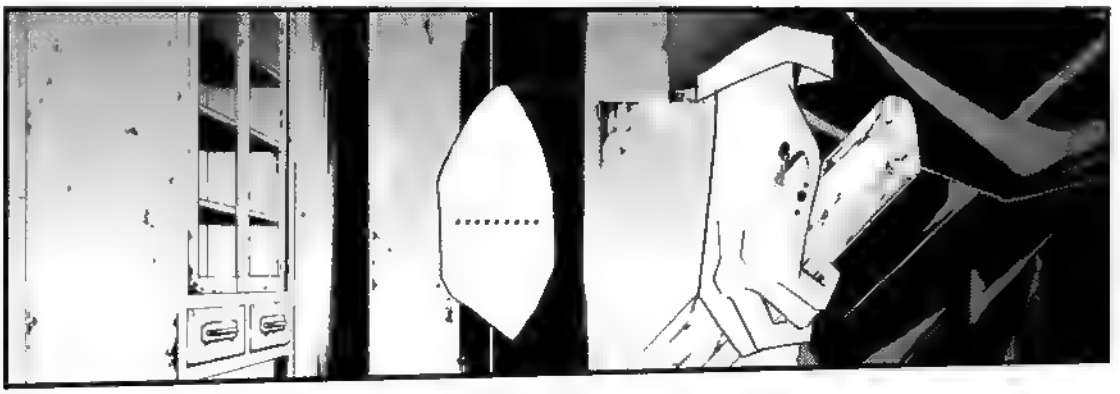
GUH.....
HE GOT MY ARM...
.....
G1
I'LL STAY HERE AND BUY US SOME TIME.
GARI (SCRAPE)
SO YOU GO BACK UPSTAIRS AND TELL RINA ABOUT THIS.


...WHAT'RE YOU GOING TO DO?


I'LL.....

キィ
GII (CREEAK)

BAKI (CRACK)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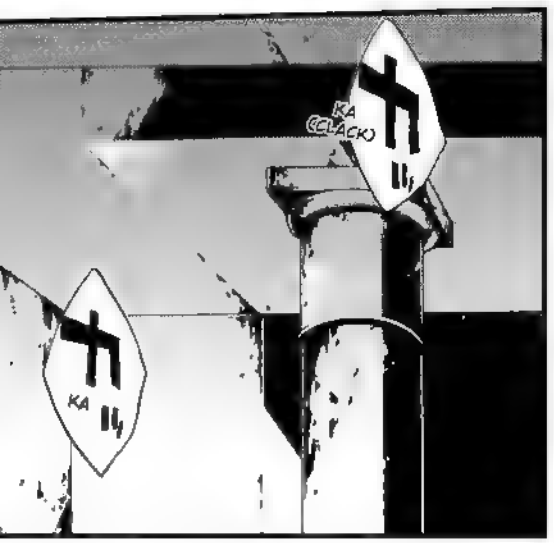

KA
(CLACK)
KA

KARA
(CLATTER)

KA
(CLACK)
FU
(FLICK)
.....
!?
KA
CHI
(BZZT)

KA
KA
PLEASE DON'T FIND ME, PLEASE DON'T FIND ME...
GOKU (GULP)

SU (SWSH)
.....
WHEEW...
IT'S LIKE I THOUGHT ...
WITH THAT MASK ON, HIS FIELD OF VISION IS EXTREMELY LIMITED.

SO TURNING OFF THE CIRCUIT BREAKER WORKS TO MY ADVANTAGE.
.....
BUT...
...WHY DOES HE STILL HAVE HIS MASK ON?
IS THERE A REASON HE'S KEPT IT ON?
OR...
KA (CLACK)

KA

.....

HE'S COMING BACK!?

GI (CREAK)

SHIT!

KA (CLACK)

WHAT...? IT CAN'T BE...

.....
HE'S COMING BACK!?
GII (CREAK)
SHIT!
KA (CLACK)

KA
KA
WHAT...? IT CAN'T BE...

KA
(CLACK)
HIKARI
.....?

POTA
POTA (DRIP)
HUFF ...
ZURU (DRAG)
PITA (PAUSE)
I CAN'T BELIEVE MY FATHER ...
...IS ALSO PLAYING THIS GAME.
.....

.....
HA-HA.
HA-HA-
HA-HA-
HA-HA!
LOOKS
LIKE...
...LUCK'S
FINALLY
TURNED
MY WAY.

CHAPTER 26 REUNION

IT CAN'T BE.....
IS THAT REALLY HIKARI?
KA CLACK!

HIKARI!!
BA (JUMP)
PITA (STOP)
GU (CLENCH)
GU
.....

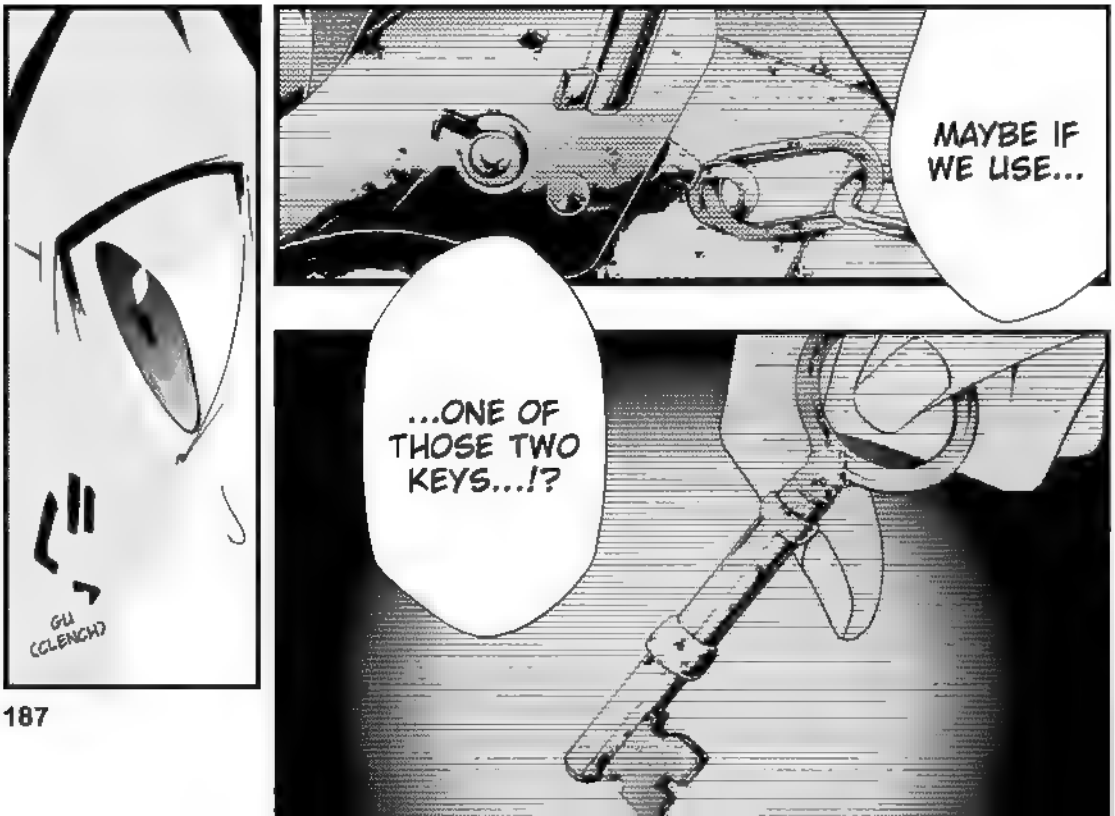
IT'S ME— HIRO.
CAN'T YOU TELL...?

HIKARI... THAT'S YOU IN THERE, RIGHT?

.....
WHAT HAP-PENED TO YOU!?
.....
ZURU (SLUMP)
DOSA (THUMP)
...HUH?

HIKARI?
ZURU (SLIDE)
.....
HURRY UP AND TAKE OFF THIS MASK.
SA (SHF)
HEY!
WHAT'S WRONG?
GACHA (CHIK)
.....

WHY IS THIS ATTACHED ...
A LOCK?


GU (CLENCH)
MAYBE IF WE USE...
...ONE OF THOSE TWO KEYS...!?

.....
YOU DON'T HAVE TO FORCE YOURSELF TO TALK.

GU (TUG)
GU
HANG ON.
YOU'LL FEEL MUCH BETTER ONCE WE GET THAT OFF.

KA (CLACK)
WHAT IS IT?
ARE YOU HURT SOMEWHERE?

?

THANKS...
BOSO (WHISPER)
WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT...?
...FOR HELPING ME...
OF COURSE I WOULD, DON'T BE SILLY.
YOU'RE...
...ALWAYS SO KIND...

...ATSUYA-SAN.

.....OF COURSE.
JIRI (SCRAPE)
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU COULD FORGET ABOUT HIM SO EASILY.
GYU (SQUEEZE)

PITA
(STOP)
!

.....
GOSO (PRESS)
GOSO
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
WHAT'S HE UP TO?
SHOULD I GO PAST HIM TO LOOK FOR THE KEY IN THE ROOM WHERE KAZU-SAN IS?

AND...
...TAKIZAWA'S FATHER INTENDS TO MURDER EVERYONE.
...EVEN THOUGH ...
...WE WON'T BE ABLE TO GET OUT OF HERE UNTIL THREE MORE PEOPLE DIE.
... MIKU-SAN'S DEAD NOW...
...I'LL HAVE TO FIGHT HIM AT SOME POINT...
IF I DON'T DO SOME-THING NOW...

.....
BEFORE HE GETS THE CHANCE...
GU CCLENCHD

IN THIS DARKNESS ...
IF I SNEAK UP AND HIT HIM FROM BEHIND WITH THAT ROCK...
ｽﾞｻｯ
SJ (SHF)

..... PLEASE...

...DON'T NOTICE ME.....
.....
PIKU (PERK)
GOKU (GULP)

!?

HIRO.....?

HIRO.....?

GASHA (CRASH)
YOU LITTLE SHIT...
.....!

...YOU INTENDED TO KILL ME WITH THAT?
JIRI (CRUNCH)

IF HE HITS ME WITH THE CROSSBOW AT THIS RANGE, I'M DONE FOR.
CRAP...

THAT GIRL OVER THERE IS...
!
BA (WHIP)
THEN...
!?
GAN (CLANK)

GUH.....
GISHI (SNAP)
D... DAMMIT!!
GASHA (CLATTER)
.....!
THE CROSS-BOW'S BROKEN!

HUH?
GABA (GRAB)
HIKARI!! RUN!!
DA (DASH)
I DON'T FUCKING THINK SO...
KACHA (CHK)
.....

AS IF I'D LET YOU GET AWAY...
GU (GRIP)
IT HURTS...
KA
H... HIRO.....
KA (CLACK)
JUST HOLD ON A LITTLE LONGER!

IF WE CAN JUST GET UPSTAIRS...
DA CRASH
KA
KA

IS THAT YOU.....

TON (TMP)

KA (CLACK)

IS.....

IS SOMEBODY THERE?

IS.....
IS SOMEBODY THERE?

IS THAT YOU.....
TON (TMP)
KA (CLACK)

TAKIZAWA?

WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?

TAKIZAWA?
WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?

WHERE'S RINA?
DON'T TELL ME...

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